YAVAPAI REGION EARLY CHILDHOOD DATA



Yavapai Region includes Yavapai County and Sedona.

Data was derived from the 2012 Yavapai Regional First Things First Needs and Assets Report

Population of Yavapai Region (2010)

Population: 214,253

Children ages birth to five years: 12,703

Births in 2011: 1,829
Births in 2010: 1,817
Births in 2009: 2,061

Births in 2008: 2,216Births in 2007: 2,411

Ethnicity (2010)

14% Hispanic

82% Non-Hispanic white

4% Other

Household Composition (2010)

Households with children ages birth to 5 years: 8,948

- 65% are married couple households
- 22% are single mother households
- 13% are single father households

12% of children ages birth to five years are being raised by their grandparents

Poverty in the Yavapai Region (2010)

Arizona has the 5th highest child poverty rate in the U.S.

- 14% of people live in Poverty
- 25% of children ages birth to five years live in poverty

Unemployment in the Yavapai Region (2011): 9.9 %

In 2011, **135** young children and their families in Yavapai County received homelessness services.

Calculated hourly living wage in Yavapai County

Living hourly wage is the amount needed to sustain a family in reasonable comfort in Yavapai County.

• One adult with one child: \$15.16/hour

• Two adults, one child: \$24.67/hour

In Yavapai County the median hourly wage falls below the living hourly wage.

• Median wage in Yavapai County: \$14.48/hour

Food Assistance (2011)

Percentage of children ages birth to five years receiving SNAP: **38.9**%

Percentage of children ages birth to five years enrolled in WIC: **54%**

10% of families receiving emergency food have young children ages birth to five years.

Parent Educational Attainment

Parent Education is correlated to child wellbeing.

24% of women giving birth in Yavapai County do not have a high school diploma

Only **7%** of women giving birth in Yavapai County have a Bachelor's degree or more.

Foster Care

As of June 2012, **117** children under age five were in foster care. (notable increase from 80 in 2010)

Over **50% of young children in foster care** have a **developmental disability** .

Birth Characteristics of the Yavapai Region (2010)

28% of mothers do not receive prenatal care in the first trimester of pregnancy.

12% of mothers use tobacco while pregnant

0.6% of mothers report using alcohol while pregnant.

12% of babies are born to mothers 14-19 years old

6.3% babies are low birth weight

45% of births report complications with delivery

Child Care

There are **76** regulated child care providers in Yavapai.

Child Care Capacity: 4,618

Cost of child care as a % of median family income:

Children birth-1 year: 14%

Children 1-2 years: 12%

• Children 3-5 years: 11%

46% of young children have all parents in the workforce.

3rd Grade reading scores (2011)

22% of 3rd graders in Yavapai County do not pass the Reading AIMS.

24% of Arizona 3rd graders do not pass the Reading AIMS.

Immunizations

Yavapai County has the lowest rate of childhood immunizations in Arizona.

Only **51%** of two-year olds have the recommended vaccines for their age.

Parent Feedback

According to a 2009 Family Survey:

38% of parents said that available family support services do not meet their family's needs.

20% say that services are not available at convenient times.

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Oral Health

Dentists recommend children should have their first dental visit at age 1.

50% of children ages birth to five years **in Arizona** have never seen a dentist.

28% of children ages birth to five years have untreated tooth decay.

Special Needs

7.6% of children in AZ have special health care needs.

13% of preschoolers are enrolled in special education.

Obesity

16% of children ages birth to five in Arizona are overweight.

14% are considered obese.

Child Fatalities

In Arizona, about **75%** of child fatalities are children between the ages of birth to five years.

It is estimated that **54%** of young child deaths are preventable.

For more data regarding early childhood in Yavapai Region and for more information about First Things First, please visit www.azftf.gov.